

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 213 public bills, H.R. 11–223; 1 private bill, H.R. 224; and 30 resolutions, H.J. Res. 1–5; H. Con. Res. 1–3; and H. Res. 1–22, were introduced.

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Report Filed: A report was filed on January 3, 2009 as follows:

Summary of Activities of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct for the 110th Congress (H. Rept. 110–938).

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick, Archbishop Emeritus of Washington.

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Election Credentials for the Resident Commissioner and Delegates: The Clerk announced that credentials have been received showing the elections of the following: Honorable Pedro R. Pierluisi, Resident Commissioner from the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; Honorable Eleanor Holmes Norton, Delegate from the District of Columbia; Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Delegate from Guam; Honorable Donna M. Christensen, Delegate from the Virgin Islands; Honorable Eni F.H. Faleomavaega, Delegate from American Samoa; and Honorable Gregorio Sablan, Delegate from the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

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Member Resignation: The Clerk announced that she was in receipt of a letter of resignation from Representative Emanuel from the state of Illinois. Agreed without objection that the letters relating to his resignation will be printed in the Record.

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Election of Speaker: The Honorable Nancy Pelosi of California was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives and received 255 votes. The Honorable John A. Boehner of Ohio received 174 votes. Earlier, the Clerk appointed Representatives-elect Brady (PA), Daniel E. Lungren (CA), Kaptur, and Ros-Lehtinen to act as Tellers.

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Escort Committee: The Clerk appointed the following committee to escort the Speaker-elect to the Chair: Representatives-elect Boehner, Hoyer, Clyburn, Cantor, Larson, Pence, Becerra, and McCotter and the members of the California delegation: Representatives-elect Stark, George Miller, Waxman, Lewis, Dreier, Berman, Gallegly, Herger, Rohrabacher, Waters, Calvert, Eshoo, Filner, McKeon, Roybal-Allard, Royce, Woolsey, Farr, Zoe Lofgren, Radanovich, Sherman, Loretta Sanchez, Tauscher,

Capps, Bono Mack, Lee, Gary G. Miller, Napolitano, Thompson, Baca, Harman, Davis, Honda, Issa, Schiff, Solis, Watson, Cardoza, Nunes, Linda T. Sánchez, Daniel E. Lungren, Costa, Matsui, Campbell, Bilbray, McCarthy, McNerney, Richardson, Speier, Hunter, and McClintock.

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Administration of the Oath of Office to Members of the 111th Congress: The Dean of the House, the Honorable John D. Dingell, administered the oath of office to the Speaker. The Speaker then administered the oath to the Members, Resident Commissioner, and Delegates.

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Election of Majority and Minority Leaders: The Chairman of the Democratic Caucus, Representative Larson, announced the election of Representative Steny H. Hoyer as the Majority Leader. The Chairman of the Republican Conference, Representative Pence, announced the election of Representative John A. Boehner as the Minority Leader.

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Election of Majority and Minority Whips: The Chairman of the Democratic Caucus, Representative Larson, announced the election of Representative James E. Clyburn as the Majority Whip. The Chairman of the Republican Conference, Representative Pence, announced the election of Representative Eric Cantor as the Minority Whip.

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Electing Officers of the House of Representatives: The House agreed to H. Res. 1, choosing the following officers for the House of Representatives: Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk; Wilson S. Livingood, Sergeant at Arms; Daniel P. Beard, Chief Administrative Officer; and Father Daniel P. Coughlin, Chaplain.

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On a division of the question, rejected the Pence amendment that sought to choose Paula Nowakowski as Clerk; Steve Stombres as Sergeant at Arms; and Jo-Marie St. Martin as Chief Administrative Officer.

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Notify the Senate that a Quorum Has Assembled: The House agreed to H. Res. 2, to inform the Senate that a quorum of the House has assembled and of the election of the Speaker and Clerk.

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Notify the President of the Assembly of the 111th Congress: The House agreed to H. Res. 3, authorizing the Speaker to appoint members of the House to a joint committee to notify the President of the assembly of the Congress. Subsequently, the Speaker appointed Representatives Hoyer and Boehner to the committee. Later, Representatives Hoyer and Boehner each announced that the Committee had notified the President that a quorum of